

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (CMD)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	11142	Agenda Number	6.
Meeting Date:	December 15, 2011			
Department:	Contract Management			
Subject				
Authorize execution of a construction contract with PEPPER-LAWSON WATERWORKS, LLC, KATY, TX for the Walnut Creek-Influent Flow Improvements & Equipment Replacement/Rehab Project, in the amount of \$4,011,000, plus a \$200,550 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,211,550.				
Amount and Source of Funding				
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.				
Fiscal Note				
A fiscal note is attached.				
Purchasing Language:	Lowest responsive bid of three bids received.			
Prior Council Action:	[REDACTED]			
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Boards and Commission Action:	To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission on December 14, 2011.			
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 1.00% MBE and 1.00% WBE subcontractor participation.			
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				

The Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) has a rated capacity of 75 million gallons per day (MGD) and currently treats approximately 55 MGD (average daily flow). This project is intended to make various improvements throughout the wastewater plant that will remedy problems related to the handling of raw sewage as it is processed through the equalization basins and into the treatment units. These improvements include adding chemical scrubbing capacity for the chlorine and sulfur dioxide buildings and installing isolation valves in critical locations to allow access for better operation and maintenance of the facilities.

This project will provide increased flexibility related to the operations and maintenance of the Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment plant, it will increase the capacity of the facilities to handle raw sewage, it will increase the capacity of the dechlorination system, and it will replace equipment that has exceeded its useful life.

Due to the potential for unknown conditions when doing work of this type in an operating plant, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 395 calendar days for completion of this project, which is entirely located on Walnut Creek WWTP property, limiting the impact of this project on the public. The project is located entirely within zip code 78725 and is managed by the Public Works Department.